March 18, 1868

*This Date in Missouri Senate History*

On *This Date in Missouri Senate History*, the date was March 18, 1868, multiple days into the Adjourned Session of the 24th General Assembly.

Adjourned sessions would be held more often, following the Civil War. They were mainly meant to be quick and take care of any unfinished business during the regular session, with some similarities to extra sessions. It also worth noting this “relatively short” session ran from Jan. 7 through March 26, which is essentially the same amount of time a regular session would take.

The Enrolled Bills Committee, a predecessor to today’s Rules Committee, approved Senate Bill 282 to be sent to the executive branch, which would dispose of the southwest branch of the Pacific Railroad and other property, and secure early completion of said road. Following this, the governor signed the legislation.

The Missouri House of Representatives would also pass a number of bills on this day.

In addition, Senate Bill 437 would move forward. This proposal allowed the University of Missouri to establish a department of agriculture and mechanical arts.

March 18, 1868, the date marking the middle of the third month of the Adjourned Session of the 24th General Assembly, on *This Date in Missouri Senate History*.

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